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Sir:

Examiner's attention is directed to the following patents, copies enclosed.

U.S. Patent 6,177,005 B1 to Yamasaki et al discloses an ultrapure water having a reduced amount of TOC and a low electrical conductivity is produced in correspondence with a variation in water quality of raw water.

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U.S. Patent 6,471,864 B1 to Sublette et al discloses a highly porous, absorbent biocatalyst beads of poly (hexamethyleneadipamide) or poly (caproamide) polymer having powdered activated carbon dispersed throughout the polymer and biocatalytic material, such as bacteria, located within macropores of the beads, are highly useful and relatively inexpensive polymeric beads, compared to similar known aramid beads, in removing organic and/or some inorganic contaminants from aqueous streams.

Copies of the above patents are enclosed. are believed not to teach, suggest of otherwise render obvious the invention as disclosed or claimed herein.

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